Applicant Details

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Applicant Education

BA/BS From Towson University

Date of BA/BS May 2020

JD/LLB From **Georgetown University Law Center**

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Date of JD/LLB May 12, 2023

Class Rank School does not rank

Law Review/Journal

Journal(s) Georgetown Environmental Law Review

Moot Court No Experience

Bar Admission

Prior Judicial Experience

Judicial Internships/
Externships
Post-graduate Judicial
Law Clerk
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Specialized Work Experience

Recommenders

Krishnakumar, Anita anita.krishnakumar@georgetown.edu Rogers, Brishen br553@georgetown.edu 2023346078 Thompson, Robert rbt5@georgetown.edu

References

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This applicant has certified that all data entered in this profile and any application documents are true and correct.

Jonathan Hong 8516 Countrybrooke Way, Lutherville Timonium, MD 6/20/2023

The Honorable Judge Kea Riggs Pete V. Domenici U.S. Courthouse 333 Lomas Blvd NW Albuquerque, NM 87102

Dear Judge Riggs,

I am writing to apply for a 2023-2024 clerkship with your chambers. I am a recent graduate at the Georgetown University Law Center where I graduated Cum Laude and was an executive editor of the Georgetown Environmental Law Review.

As an aspiring litigator with extensive research and writing experience, I believe I would make a strong addition to your chambers. During law school, I was able to obtain practical experience by helping draft an amicus brief relating to federal bankruptcy law. Out of term, I honed my research and writing skills by writing various memos for litigation partners on federal procedural issues. My experience as an executive editor on the Georgetown Environmental Law Review allowed me to engage in a leadership role while working with authors to improve their submissions.

My resume, unofficial transcript, and writing sample are submitted with this application. Georgetown has submitted my recommendations from Professor Anita Krishnakumar, Professor Brishen Rogers, and Professor Robert Thompson. I would welcome the opportunity to interview with you, and look forward to hearing from you soon.

Respectfully,

Jonathan Hong

JONATHAN HONG

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EDUCATION

GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY LAW CENTER

Juris Doctor

Washington, DC

August 2021- May 2023

GPA: 3.78/4.0 Cum Laude. Dean's List: Fall 2021-Spring 2022.

Journal: Georgetown Environmental Law Review: Executive Editor

Activities: Asian Pacific American Law Students Association. Transfer Students Association.

Honors: Section 6 Graduation Commencement Speaker. Highest Grade: Mergers & Acquisitions.

UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT SCHOOL OF LAW

Hartford, CT

First-year J.D. coursework completed

August 2020- May 2021

GPA: 3.645/4.00 (12/135/Top 9%)

Activities: Asian Pacific American Law Students Association: 1L Representative. Club Soccer.

TOWSON UNIVERSITY Towson, MD

Bachelor of Science, Political Science and Communication Studies Minor: Business Administration

May 2020

Honors: Dean's List: Fall 2017, Spring 2018, Fall 2018, Spring 2019, Fall 2019, Spring 2020

Activities: Study Abroad: Corporate Communication in the UK. Pre-Law Society: Treasurer. Kappa Delta Rho: Fundraising Chair. Club Lacrosse. Tigers Toastmasters. Future Business Leaders of America: Social Media Coordinator.

EXPERIENCE

Bankruptcy Practicum Washington, DC

Student Researcher

January 2023- Present

- Researched court cases regarding the use of the "Texas Two Step" and Bad Faith.
 - Assisted preparing an amicus brief for future Supreme Court appellate litigation.
- Worked with students to draft memos relating to bankruptcy appellate litigation.

Dentons US LLP New York, NY Summer Associate June 2022- Aug 2023

Conducted research regarding preliminary procedural issues in high level complex litigation.

- Created signatory pages and provided assistance in closing transactions.

Represented client in Pro-Bono representation through U-Adjustment Process.

Brenner, Saltzman, & Wallman Summer Associate

New Haven, CT

June 2021-Present

- Conducted legal research on diverse legal matters involving divorce, employment, and housing disputes.
- Drafted motions to strike in response to complaints filed by plaintiffs.
- Assisted settlement conferences with opposing counsel.
- Researched and Conducted legal analysis involving complex corporate legal issues.

Georgetown Environmental Law Review

Washington, DC

Executive Editor

Legal Intern

August 2022- Present

January 2019 - June 2019

- Provided cite checks for student notes and author submissions in accordance with bluebook requirements.
- Communicated with authors regarding substantive line edits and structural changes.
- Researched relevant legal issues regarding the environment and securities regulation.

Office of the Public Defender

Towson, MD

Conducted legal research and drafted office memoranda.

- Prepared and drafted legal documents for trial.
- Reviewed and outlined video and audio tapes.
- Attended court with trial attorneys to witness hearings, trials, and judgements.

Relevant Coursework

- Procedural Coursework: Federal Courts, Evidence, Criminal Procedure, Administrative Law, Legislation and Regulation, Statutory Interpretation
- Corporate Coursework: Corporations, Securities Regulation, Mergers & Acquisitions, Bankruptcy Law
- Labor and Employment Coursework: Employment Discrimination, Employment Law, Labor Law

This is not an official transcript. Courses which are in progress may also be included on this transcript.

Record of: Jonathan S. Hong GUID: 801271066

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Name: Jonathan Hong Student ID: 2920553

Print Date: 06/28/2021

End of Unofficial Transcript

Beginning of Law Record

Fall 2020 (2020-08-31 - 2020-12-22)

Program: Juris Doctor 3 Yr. Day
Plan: Three Year Day Division Major

Course		Descrip	otion	Attempted Credits	Earned Credits	Grade	Grade Points
LAW	7500	Civil Proce	dure	4.00	4.00	B+	13.200
LAW	7505	Contracts		4.00	4.00	A-	14.800
LAW	7510	Criminal La	aw.	3.00	3.00	Α	12.000
LAW	7518	Lgl Practice	e: Rsrch & Writing	3.00	3.00	Α	12.000
LAW	7530	Torts	_	3.00	3.00	A-	11.100
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Semester GPA		3.712	Semester Totals	17.00	17.00	17.00	63.100
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Spring2021

Program: Juris Doctor 3 Yr. Day
Plan: Three Year Day Division Major

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LAW	7987	Legislation	and Regulation	3.00	3.00	Α	12.000
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Fall 2021 (2021-08-30 - 2021-12-21)

Program: Juris Doctor 3 Yr. Day
Plan: Three Year Day Division Major

Course		Descrip	otion	Attempted Credits	Earned Credits	Grade	Grade Points
LAW	7554	Complianc	e: Legal Perspective	3.00	0.00		0.000
LAW	7650	Environme	ntal Law	3.00	0.00		0.000
LAW	7661	Federal Inc	come Tax	3.00	0.00		0.000
LAW	7806	Renewable	Energy Law	3.00	0.00		0.000
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Name: Jonathan S. Hong Student ID: 0642842 Birthdate: 01-19-####

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June 20, 2023

The Honorable Kea Riggs Pete V. Domenici United States Courthouse 333 Lomas Boulevard, N.W. Albuquerque, NM 87102

Dear Judge Riggs:

It gives me great pleasure to recommend Jonathan Hong, who has applied to serve as a law clerk in your chambers. Jonathan is bright, reliable, and very thoughtful—an excellent student and person. I believe he would make a great law clerk.

I got to know Jonathan during the 2022-2023 academic year, when he was a student in my Statutory Interpretation Theory seminar and in my Administrative Law class. The seminar had only 22 students and involved a lot of in-class discussion, so I got to know the students quite well. During that class, I spoke regularly with Jonathan in class and supervised a paper he wrote about a proposed SEC rule that would regulate greenhouse gases. In class, Jonathan was a solid contributor who could be counted on to chime in regularly and add value. He was always well-prepared and refreshingly honest in his responses. The paper Jonathan wrote, *An Interpretive Approach to Regulating Greenhouse Emissions through the Securities Laws*, analyzes the SEC's proposed rule and the likelihood that it would be upheld by courts. In the end, it concludes that there are strong textualist and purposivist arguments that the SEC does not have the authority to adopt the proposed rule. It is a very solid, well-researched and analytic paper that provides a deep-dive into an interesting and complicated topic.

Jonathan also was in my large Administrative Law class (100 students) and was well-prepared in that class as well, although I did not get to speak with him as deeply or regularly in that class. In both classes, Jonathan was a strong student who could be counted on to engage with the material and offer meaningful insights.

Beyond his excellence in the classroom, Jonathan is a valued member of the Georgetown Law community. He served as the Executive Editor of the *Georgetown Environmental Law Review*—a time-consuming job—and was active in the Asian Pacific American Law Students Association and the Transfer Students Association.

In short, I believe that Jonathan would make a strong law clerk—he is smart, hard-working, and responsible.

Thank you for considering this recommendation, and please let me know if I can provide any additional information about Jonathan that would assist you.

Sincerely,

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The Honorable Kea Riggs Pete V. Domenici United States Courthouse 333 Lomas Boulevard, N.W. Albuquerque, NM 87102

Dear Judge Riggs:

I am writing to recommend Jonathan Hong strongly for a clerkship in your chambers. Jonathan took my Labor Law class in the Fall of 2021. Based on his performance in my classes and our meetings outside of class, I feel well-qualified to assess his abilities and promise as an attorney.

Jonathan's work in my class was outstanding. He was always well-prepared and made insightful contributions to class discussion. Whenever I called on him, he was able to quickly summarize the key doctrine, and to recognize and analyze the nuances in the caselaw. He could also recognize the broader implications of cases, analyzing how they would advance or limit broader employers' legitimate interests in efficient production, or broader social goals such as employee voice and equality. I was unsurprised to learn that his final exam was one of the best in the class, with very strong writing and legal analysis.

As I understand, Jonathan is planning to work at a major law firm after graduation, but later to transition to plaintiff-side work. He may specialize in labor and employment law. As you'll see, his performance in all his classes in that field has been excellent, as has his performance in corporate and securities law. He is hoping to clerk in order to further develop his research, writing, and analytical skills, and also to gain exposure to a broader variety of issue areas within the law.

Jonathan has also had a somewhat unusual educational path, which signals to me that he has taken his education and professional training very seriously. He went to college at Towson University, then attended the University of Connecticut Law School for his 1L year before transferring to Georgetown as a 2L. In my experience, students with similar educational backgrounds who thrive in law school often have a maturity beyond their years, and end up being among the strongest and most diligent attorneys.

Having gotten to know Jonathan outside of class, I can also say that he has strong interpersonal skills. He is quite easy to get along with, thoughtful, and trustworthy. I would not hesitate to recommend him highly to other legal employers, as I expect that those qualities, together with his analytical skills, will make him a very successful attorney and an excellent co-worker.

In short, I strongly recommend Jonathan for a clerkship in your chambers. I believe he would be outstanding in that role. If I can be of assistance in any other way, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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June 20, 2023

The Honorable Kea Riggs Pete V. Domenici United States Courthouse 333 Lomas Boulevard, N.W. Albuquerque, NM 87102

Dear Judge Riggs:

I write to urge your consideration of Jonathan Hong as a clerk in your chambers. He was a student in my corporations class last fall and mergers in the spring. They were large classes (about 115 in the fall and 70 in the spring). In the merger class his exam was one of two that separated themselves from the A group by a large margin resulting in an A+ grade for the course. In the corporations class, the exam was also well done and very complete, earning an A which put it in the top group of papers outside of the top 1%.

I would add two more things if it might be helpful. I had not initially picked him out in class as someone whose performance might be distinctive. It was at the end of the semester in a couple of office hour sessions where a half dozen students had shown up at the same time for what became a longer discussion that required putting together multiple points from the course. I made a mental note that he got it better than the rest. The second observation is that because I teach a large bar course in the fall semester of students' second year, I tend to get a noticeable number of transfer students, mixed in with those who have been together for first year. That can be an intimidating environment for the outsider that dampens learning and participation. I think he adapted very well in that setting. I encourage you to review his resume and references and to talk to him if you think there might be a fit.

Sincerely,

Robert B. Thompson Peter P. Weidenbruch Jr. Professor of Law

Writing Sample Description

The following writing sample is an Amicus Brief Draft Section written during my Bankruptcy Advocacy Practicum. The brief is my own work and has not been edited by any professors or students. The factual predicate of the brief is based on J&J's recent bankruptcy litigation relating to Talc liabilities. The assignment required independent legal research with minimal feedback.

I. THE FAILURE TO PUT JJCI INTO BANKRUPTCY SUBVERTS MULTIPLE

CODE PROVISIONS AND ALLOWS IT TO BENEFIT FROM THE SAFE HAVEN

ASPECTS OF THE BANKRUPTCY CODE WITHOUT PROPERLY FILING.

A. JJCI violated 11 U.S.C. § 541 by not submitting its assets to the bankruptcy estate.

JJCI's use of the TBOC is not compatible with § 541 which requires all interests of the debtor to be placed into the bankruptcy process through the bankruptcy "estate." § 541 explicitly defines the estate as comprising "[a]ll interests of the debtor . . . as of the commencement of the case." Here, JJCI did not submit its assets to the bankruptcy court's jurisdiction. Instead, the bad faith filing subjected Old JJCI's talc liabilities to bankruptcy while excluding access to JJCI's operational assets. Therefore, JJCI's use of LTL allowed it to subvert the Code's requirements under § 541. This filing directly conflicts with § 541 by enabling Old JJCI to avoid submitting all of its interests to the bankruptcy court's jurisdiction.

JJCI is impermissibly benefiting from mandatory bankruptcy consolidation of talc claimants without submitting all their assets to the bankruptcy court's jurisdiction. This use of the Code violates the "basic bankruptcy bargain" of full disclosure of one's financial situation for a discharge of nearly all debts. By refusing to submit its assets to the bankruptcy court's jurisdiction, JJCI is just one example of a "bankruptcy grifter"—an organization that receives the substantive benefits of bankruptcy but takes on a mere fraction of the burdens. Lindsey D. Simon, *Bankruptcy Grifters*, 131 Yale L.J. 1157 (2022). Permitting JJCI's use of

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¹ Ralph Brubaker, *Mandatory Aggregation of Mass Tort Litigation in Bankruptcy*, 131 Yale L.J. Forum 960, 995 (2022).

the TBOC would encourage lawlessness under the Code and a consequent diminution of the "basic bankruptcy bargain."

JJCI is impermissibly utilizing the TBOC in order to escape liability from talc claims. JJCI has violated 11 U.S.C. § 502 by placing talc claims against JJCI into bankruptcy through LTL. Pursuant to § 502, the bankruptcy estate is limited to property of and claims against the debtor. In this filing, since LTL is the debtor, J&J is a third-party non-debtor entity. Here, LTL is intentionally adding legal claims to bankruptcy that lie against non-debtor JJCI. This practice permits JJCI to avoid legal liability to claimants who have lost the opportunity to recover directly from JJCI. *Id.* JJCI's use of the TBOC restricts claimants from recovering from responsible parties without subjecting themselves to the necessary disclosure and oversight requirements under the Code. This utilization of the TBOC is fundamentally incompatible with the basic bankruptcy bargain and wrongfully diminishes creditor's rights without adequate protection.

B. JJCI's failure to file impermissibly allows it to avoid the mandatory financial disclosures required by 11 U.S.C. § 521.

By filing LTL for bankruptcy, JJCI avoided providing disclosures that would have helped creditors make informed decisions about the reorganization plan. The Bankruptcy Code imposes strict obligations on debtors to file complete and accurate financial disclosures. *Matter of Bayless*, 78 B.R. 506, 509 (Bankr. S.D. Ohio 1987). Under 11 U.S.C. § 521, debtors are required to provide a schedule of their assets and liabilities, statement of the debtor's financial affairs, and a schedule of their current income and expenditures. By

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² Abusing Chapter 11: Corporate Efforts to Side-Step Accountability Through Bankruptcy" Before the Senate Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Federal Courts, Oversight, Agency Action and Federal Rights, (Written Testimony of Hon. Judith Klaswick Fitzgerald (Ret.) 1, 10.

providing these statements, creditors are given access to pertinent information and allowed to adequately examine the debtor. JJCI was able to completely bypass this process by filing a "surrogate" debtor (LTL) with no legitimate assets, business operations, or employees.

Permitting this practice conflicts with the Code's fundamental disclosure policies.

JJCI's use of the TBOC, allows them to avoid necessary public accountability which encourages future tortious conduct. § 521 imposes strict obligations on the debtor to provide creditors with complete and accurate information. Judge Fitzgerald accurately states that failing to file JJCI "affords an escape from accountability by the entities who are responsible for the harms caused and able to pay for them." If JJCI were to file for bankruptcy, § 521 would require providing the public with substantive financial information. Instead, JJCI is able to avoid this by subjecting LTL to bankruptcy. By avoiding filing, JJCI is escaping public scrutiny by not disclosing information about their tort claims and business operations. This allows JJCI to avoid the price of reputational injury that normally accompanies a bankruptcy filing. JJCI should not be permitted to avoid liability and accountability through its bad faith utilization of the TBOC.

JJCI is impermissibly avoiding compliance with periodic reporting obligations under 11 U.S.C. § 1106. JJCI's use of the TBOC is incompatible with complying with their duties as debtors in possession under § 1106. 11 U.S.C. § 1107 requires debtors in possession to have the same duties as trustees per § 1106. Therefore, § 1106 requires debtors to furnish information concerning the estate and to provide periodic reports of their business operations in accordance with 11 U.S.C. § 704. This provision establishes a duty on the debtor to provide creditors with information on request. The duty enhances creditors' ability to examine the debtor and obtain information to assist them in making informed decisions. Once again, JJCI is avoiding complying with future disclosures by filing LTL into bankruptcy. JJCI is intentionally utilizing the TBOC in order to avoid their otherwise statutorily mandated

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duties under the code. This practice is inconsistent with the duties of debtors under § 1106 and cannot be permitted by this court.

C. JJCI is impermissibly avoiding its obligations to provide creditors the opportunity to orally examine the debtor under 11 U.S.C. § 341.

By filing LTL for bankruptcy, JJCI was not required to attend a § 341 meeting and therefore, subverted creditor's ability to question the debtor about its financial affairs.

11 U.S.C. § 343 requires the debtor to attend a § 341 meeting that provides creditors the opportunity to examine the debtor. § 341 mandates a meeting of creditors which permits the Trustee and creditors an opportunity to question the debtor and obtain information about the bankruptcy. This provision guarantees an opportunity for creditors to ask the debtors questions on the record. Simon, *Bankruptcy Grifters*, *supra*, at 1209. JJCI has impermissibly bypassed this meeting requirement by filing LTL for bankruptcy. In doing so, creditors have been stripped of an opportunity to examine JJCI and ask questions about its financial affairs and liabilities. The ability to bypass a § 341 meeting provides a perverse incentive for debtors to utilize the TBOC to avoid providing disclosures or an opportunity to examine the affairs of the debtor. This practice is incompatible with the "basic bankruptcy bargain" as it inequitably prohibits creditors from adequately examining the debtor.

Allowing JJCI to avoid their § 341 meeting directly conflicts with the purposes of § 341– to provide creditors the opportunity to examine the debtor concerning its assets and financial affairs. 11 U.S.C. § 343. Specifically, the examination can lead to the recovery of assets for the estate, grounds to challenge the discharge of the debtor, and other relevant information to the administration of the bankruptcy estate. *In re Ladner*, 156 B.R. 664, 665 (Bankr. D. Colo. 1993). Attending the meeting is one of the most important responsibilities

for debtors in order for debtors to obtain the benefits of discharge. *Id*. The meeting is considered so important that many courts have held that the debtor's presence is mandatory with no exceptions. *In re Chandler*, 66 B.R. 334, 335 (N.D. Ga. 1986).

In practice, the § 341 meeting can provide information that leads to a denial of discharge based on inadequate disclosures. *In Re Corona*, No. 08-15924 (DHS), 2010 WL 1382122. 1, 11 (D.N.J. Apr. 5, 2010). In *Corona*, the court found that the debtor acted with reckless indifference to the truth of their initial financial disclosures and the statements they made during the § 341 meeting. JJCI's use of the TBOC allows the avoidance of the statutory check provided under § 341. This outcome gives debtors the ability to provide inadequate financial disclosures while leaving creditors without the opportunity to examine their affairs. Such a result is incompatible with the "basic bankruptcy bargain" which requires full disclosure in exchange for the benefits of discharge.

D. JJCI's failure to file avoids compliance with 11 U.S.C. § 363 because creditors are stripped of an opportunity for notice and hearing for non-ordinary course transactions.

JJCI's filing is impermissible because it enables them to conduct non-ordinary course transactions without obtaining advance court approval or providing creditors with an opportunity for notice and hearing. Under § 363(b)(1), non-ordinary course transactions require advance court approval and the opportunity for notice and hearing. § 363(b)(1) is meant to ensure that the full value of the business is available to creditors' claims. § 363(b)(1) ensures this by providing creditors an opportunity for notice and hearing regarding non-ordinary course transactions. By having LTL file, JJCI is free from their statutory obligations to provide creditors with an opportunity for notice and hearing before they

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conduct non-ordinary course transactions. Court approval is required in order to provide scrutiny from creditors to ensure that they receive full value from debtor entities. Brubaker, *Legitimacy*, *supra*, at 5. As a result, JJCI is bypassing § 363 requirements as creditors will be unable to scrutinize the transactions without notice and a hearing. This outcome directly subverts creditor's rights while permitting the debtor to avoid ensuring that the full value of the business is available to claims. Permitting this outcome would promote lawlessness under the Code, as JJCI would be rewarded for avoiding Code requirements that make up the "basic bankruptcy bargain."

Courts have construed the purpose of § 363 to permit businesses to continue operation while protecting creditors from the dissipation of the estate's assets. *In re Dant & Russell, Inc.*, 67 B.R. 360, 363 (D. Or. 1986) (*citing* H.R. Rep. No. 595, 95th Cong., 1st Sess. 181-82 (1977). The underlying purpose of § 363 would be frustrated if debtors were permitted to avoid notice and hearing through their use of the TBOC. Specifically, debtors could use this loophole to avoid scrutiny for non-ordinary course transactions that shield their assets from creditors. The Supreme Court has held that "the debtor, though left in possession . . . does not operate [the business], as it did before the filing of the petition, unfettered and without restraint." *Case v. Los Angeles Lumber Prod. Co.*, 308 U.S. 106, 125 (1939). Allowing JJCI's use of the TBOC unjustly allows JJCI to operate unfettered and without restraint and is thereby incompatible with the Code's fundamental policy of oversight.